



WOOD FIRED SCALLOPS WITH LEMONY SALSA VERDE

Serves 6-8

INGREDIENTS

FOR THE SCALLOPS

12 large dry packed scallops extra virgin oil sea salt black pepper 1 tbsp butter (optional)

FOR THE LEMONY SALSA VERDE

1/2 lemon (with peel), seeded, chopped 1 finely chopped small shallot 1 finely chopped garlic clove salt and pepper 1 cup olive oil 3/4 cup finely chopped fresh parsley 1/2 cup finely chopped fresh cilantro 1/4 cup chopped fresh chives lemon juice

TECHNIQUE

FOR THE LEMONY SALSA VERDE

Combine 1/2 lemon (with peel), seeded and chopped, 1 finely chopped small shallot, and one finely chopped garlic clove; season with salt and pepper.

Let sit for 5 minutes. Stir 1 cup olive oil, 3/4 cup finely chopped parsley, 1/2 cup finely chopped fresh cilantro, 1/4 cup chopped fresh chives. Season with salt, pepper, and lemon juice if desired. Set aside until ready.

FOR THE SCALLOPS

- 1. Using the direct cooking method, have the embers ready at the mouth of the oven with a grill grate over them.
- 2. Marinate the scallops in olive oil, sea salt, and freshly cracked black pepper.
- 3. Place the scallops on the hot grate. Scallops are best just a bit medium rare.
- 4. Alternately, preheat a cast iron pan on the grill. Gently place scallops in the pan with butter. Place pan on the grill to cook.
- 5. Cook for 2-3 minutes per side (for both methods.)
- 6. Finish with salsa verde.

